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1. Between 1952 and August 1953, 36 to 40 single-jet aircraft, mid-wing monoplanes, with considerably swept-back wings, nose wheel, cabin in front of leading edges of wings were regularly observed at Pápa (P 48/Y 30) airfield. Two or 3 twin-jet aircraft, mid-wing monoplanes with tapering swept-back wings, high rudder assembly, and nose wheel were observed for the first time in August 1953. The aircraft, partially covered with tarpaulins, were parked in the open, mostly at the edges of the field. 25X1
2. The airfield was located northeast of Pápa, south and northwest of railroad lines. It was occupied by Soviet troops; Soviet Air Force soldiers were repeatedly observed there. A concrete runway and taxiways were available. Several buildings, some of which were destroyed, were located in the southwestern section of the field. No new buildings were observed.¹ At night, the field boundaries were marked by lights. Red signal lamps and a lane marked by red lamps were also observed. A barbed-wire fence fitted on concrete pillars surrounded the field.
2. From the Pápa-Győr railroad line, a fuel dump was observed about 10 meters inside of the fence around the field, at the northwestern edge of the field. From the size of the earth heaps it was inferred that the individual fuel containers were approximately as large as a railroad tank car. 25X1
4. During May 1953, 2 groups each of 3 AA guns arranged in a triangle were observed at the edge of the field, near Pápa-Győr railroad line. The guns were emplaced in pits about 1 meter deep and 10 meters wide. The gun barrels had no muzzle brakes but a cylindrical device under and above the barrel.

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5. During July 1953, the former auxiliary airfield north of Kirslykut Farmhouse, northeast of Konyani (P 48/Y 00) was heavily occupied by Soviet soldiers. Hungarian farmers who worked in the fields stated that the former auxiliary airfield was occupied by Soviet Air Force and that large-scale work was under way at the field for some weeks. As was observed from a large distance, Soviet soldiers were moving around large tents.

6. Construction work on a large airfield with concrete runway and taxiways was allegedly started near Sarmellek (T 4/A 49) during August 1953. Source, who knew the area from former years, believed that the field could be established only northeast of Sarmellek as the areas to the south and west were marshy and hilly respectively.

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1. [redacted] Source. The statements on Pápa airfield agree with previous reports. According to all reports received during the last 2 years, Pápa airfield is occupied by Soviet fighter units. It is believed that 1 fighter division headquarters and 2 fighter regiments are stationed there. The present report indicates that twin-jet aircraft were stationed at the field. Comparison between this aircraft and MiG-15s fitted with auxiliary fuel tanks could be possible but inasmuch as these two aircraft types were simultaneously parked at the field and thus could be compared it is believed that source observed a new-type twin-jet aircraft. It is impossible to determine whether this twin-jet aircraft was an improved Soviet-type version of the MiG-15 or a possible new type twin-jet fighter. [redacted] for sketch of same-type aircraft observed at Debrecen.

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2. [redacted] Source. Improvement work at Konyani airfield was previously reported. [redacted] The old auxiliary airfield was considerably expanded to the north-northeast where wood had to be cut.

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3. [redacted] Source. This is the first information on the construction of a new airfield near Sarmellek. According to a map at a scale of 1:100,000, sheet 5, the area south-northeast of Sarmellek is also marshy. It is possible, however, that the Hungarians have drained the area in connection with large-scale drainage work along the Danube River and the lake area during the last years.

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